

DETAILED ACTION

STATUS OF THE CLAIMS: Claims 1-20 are pending in this application.

Information Disclosure Statement

Receipt of the information disclosure statement filed July 3, 2006 is acknowledged, and a copy is enclosed herewith.

Claim Objections

Claim 8 is objected to because of the following informalities: the claim recites "of from". Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112, second paragraph

The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter, which the applicant regards as his invention.

1. Claims 2-4 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

(a) Claim 2 and claims dependent thereon are rejected because the phrase "or more" is indefinite. It is not understood if the acid dissolved at a temperature 36, 80 90? Appropriate correction is required.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-20 will be allowed if amended to overcome the rejections under 35 USC 112, second paragraph. Claims 1-20 were not found to be obvious nor anticipated by the prior art of record. Thus, the prior art does not teach or suggest the presently

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claimed compounds. Therefore, these claims will be allowed if amended to overcome the rejections under 35 USC 112, second paragraph.

Conclusion

Claims 1-20 are pending. Claim 8 is objected. Claims 2-4 are rejected. Claims 1, 5-7, and 9-20 are allowed.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to PAUL V WARD whose telephone number is 571-272-2909. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8 am to 4 pm.

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